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INVENTION: "INFORMATION PROVIDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND
RECORDING MEDIUM"

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Between the title and the heading "Background of the Invention" on page 1, insert the
following:

--RELATED APPLICATION DATA

The present application claims priority to Japanese Application No. P2000-233333 filed
August 1, 2000, which application is incorporated herein by reference to the extent permitted by
law.--

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